

Special Education Ages 3 - 21

QUALIFICATIONS FOR TEACHING PUPILS WHO HAVE HEARING IMPAIRMENTS

Before teaching pupils, ages 3 to 21 inclusive, who have hearing impairments, a person must hold an endorsement issued pursuant to this section.

- 1) To receive the endorsement, the person must:
 - a. Have completed a program of preparation for teaching pupils who have hearing impairments, which has been approved by the board; or
 - b. Hold a current license or certificate, issued by another state, with an endorsement to teach pupils who have hearing impairments or
 - c. Hold a certificate from the Council for Education of the Deaf; or
 - d. Hold a bachelor's or master's degree in the education of pupils who have hearing impairments and have completed 8 semester hours of student teaching, equivalent field experience, or 1 year of verifiable teaching experience in special education; or
 - e. Hold a bachelor's or master's degree, and
- 2) Have completed 8 semester hours of student teaching of pupils who have hearing impairments, equivalent field experience with such pupils, or 1 year of verifiable teaching experience with such pupils; and
- 3) Have completed 18 semester hours of course work in any of the following areas:
 - i. Characteristics of pupils who have hearing impairments;
 - ii. Methods of communication for pupils who have hearing impairments;
 - iii. Anatomy and physiology of the ear and the mechanisms of speech;
 - iv. Audiology;
 - v. Hearing aids and auditory training;
 - vi. Development of the curriculum and methods of teaching pupils who have hearing impairments;
 - vii. Parental involvement in programs for pupils who have disabilities;
 - viii. Linguistics, speech, and language for pupils who have hearing impairments;
 - ix. Introduction to special education or education of pupils who have disabilities; and
 - x. Education or planning for the transition of pupils who have disabilities from their current placement to placement in additional educational programs, employment and living independently as an adult.